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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR **DETERMINING THE CONFIGURATION** OF CONNECTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH A SATELLITE RECEIVER/DECODER

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Dear Sir:

The references cited on the enclosed form PTO-1449 (copies of references enclosed) may be material to the examination of the above-identified patent application and are, therefore, submitted in compliance with the duty of disclosure defined in 37 CFR 1.56. It is respectfully requested that the references be considered and made of record in the application identified above.

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Respectfully submitted,

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